

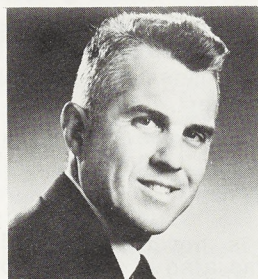
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NEW AMERICAN OPERA TO BE READ FOR CLUB

On February 4th, the Overseas Press Club will hear a reading of a new opera,



Richard Owen

'Mary Dyer', by Richard Owen, composer whose music is already familiar to our audiences from performances of wife Lynn Owen, who has been a

leading singer with opera houses throughout Europe and at the Metropolitan. Owen's operas have also been performed throughout the United States, Europe and South America. In addition he is a Federal Judge in the the Southern District of New York.

The opera is a timely one in many ways, having been composed especially for the up-coming Bicentennial celebration, and has been seen in excerpts on Channel 5, the "Midday" TV show in New York City, and Channel 5 in Boston.



Lynn Owen

The story of the opera concerns one of America's first real heroines, a women's liberationist and martyr. Mary Dyer was a Quaker whom the Bostonians hanged in 1660 because she persisted in returning to the Massachusetts Bay Colony in violation of a law providing the death penalty for Quakers who returned to the colony having been once banished. In today's terms, she was one of our first "civil disobedients" in that she deliberately violated what she believed to be an unjust law and demanded that the authorities carry out the penalty.

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SEEK RESTORATION OF FALLEN WAR CORRESPONDENTS' MEMORIAL PLAQUES

By LAWRENCE G. BLOCHMAN

VALENTINE PARTY SET FOR OPC GUYS & DOLLS

Guys & Dolls Night, a St. Valentine's Day House Party, is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 14 at 6 p.m. Guests of honor will be members' wives and husbands and friends. Many spouses are well known to OPCers, and contribute enormously to the life of the Club. Others will be making their debut on St. Valentine's Day.

That OPC members enjoy themselves and each other was demonstrated at the December House Party. Save Feb. 14 for another great evening. Make reservations immediately, so that the committee can make plans.

CALENDAR

Thursday, January 23, 12 Noon — Deadline: OPC Bulletin of February 1.

Wednesday, January 29, 12 Noon — "Headliner Luncheon" to feature the Israeli Ambassador to the U.N., Josef Tekoah. Luncheon \$6.50 including tax and gratuities.

Tuesday, February 4, 8:15 p.m. — Reading of a new opera "Mary Dyer" by Richard Owen, with singers Lynn Owen, formerly of Met Opera; Carol Wilcox, San Francisco Opera; Robert Paul, NYC Opera, and others. Open bar. (Page 1)

Wednesday, February 5, 5:30 p.m. — Talking Shop with... John J. McDermott, Assistant Director of the FBI. Topic: "FBI and the Press." Cash bar.

Tuesday, February 11, 12 Noon — "Headliner Luncheon" to feature the former ambassador to the Organization of American States and recent chairman of the Commission on U.S. — Latin American Relations, Sol M. Linowitz. Luncheon \$6.50 including tax and gratuities.

Friday, February 14, 6 p.m. — GUYS & DOLLS, a St. Valentine's Day House Party. Open Bar. (Page 1)

The House Operations Committee at a recent meeting voted unanimously to expedite the restoration of the memorial plaques dedicated to newsmen killed in combat since the beginning of World War II. The honor roll, which originally graced the library in our 39th St. headquarters, bore the inscription: "These colleagues died for a free press in a free world." The plaques have been in storage since our Time-Life incarnation.

Coincidentally President Jack Raymond received a letter from the Department of Defense asking OPC cooperation in securing memorabilia of correspondents killed in action. The Department last year dedicated a Memorial Alcove in the Pentagon honoring newsmen who died in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam, and is seeking the memorabilia to place in display cases in the alcove. Contacts with publications and employers of the fallen correspondents "have produced limited results," the Department says, in asking OPC members to help reach the families it had been unable to contact.

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Israeli Ambassador to the U.N. Josef Tekoah will be the OPC "Headliner Luncheon" speaker on Wednesday, January 29 at 12 Noon. His subject: "The Present Situation in the Middle East."

REGIONAL REPORT

FROM WASHINGTON D.C.

By JESSIE STEARNS

President Gerald Ford within the first 100 days of his administration met with the media in full fledged news conferences six times, same as the late President Johnson, but one more session than former President Nixon.

However, the late President Kennedy surpassed them all, meeting with the correspondents 19 times within his first 101 days in office.

The 38th President at his third news conference held Oct. 9 in the Rose Garden changed the traditional format by permitting each reporter recognized to ask an initial question and remain on his feet for a "follow up" question that's directly related. Seven of the 18 questions asked had "follow ups."

How does a busy President prepare for a press conference?

Paul Miltich, longtime Michigan newsman covered Congressman Ford for several years before joining his staff as press assistant, is now Special Assistant to the President for Public Affairs.

He puts together what he calls a "briefing book" containing from 25 to 35 questions, which goes to the Domestic and National Affairs Councils for answers from experts.

Then there is a "bull" session in the President's Oval Office prior to the news conference with Miltich, Presidential Press Secretary Ron Nessen, Deputy Press Secretary John Hushen, Counsellors Robert Hartmann (longtime Los Angeles Times newsman), John Marsh, Phil Buchen and Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft (National Security Council), where the President formulates his own answers.

The traditional format (except the follow-up of questions) remains the same with the President recognizing the two wire services, AP and UPI, first in line for questions. At Ford's first news conference on Aug. 28 (19 days after taking the oath of office) he called on Helen Thomas, UPI, for the first question, and on Frank Cormier, AP, for the second.

And after many reporters screaming "Mr. President," Cormier ended the 30-minute session with the usual, "Thank You, Mr. President."

At the second meeting of the press with the Chief Executive on Sept. 16 when Cormier was recognized first, then Thomas, 13 of the 21 questions asked concerned the President pardoning former President Nixon.

The public reacted to so many

LUNCHEON OPENS OPC REGION OF BRITAIN

By JOE PETERS

At the initiative of Ronald M. Stieglitz a group of OPC members met at a luncheon in the Press Club of London and formed the OPC Region of Great Britain.

Present at the gathering with Stieglitz were Martin Hummel, Philip Johnson, Henry McNutley, Edwin Rosenthal and Josa Morgan Ruffner. The group nominated Stieglitz regional chairman and the nomination was confirmed by the OPC Board of Governors on November 25.

At the meeting, Ed Rosenthal suggested that many of his British journalist friends may want to join the OPC. At present our Constitution bars foreign journalists working for foreign media. However, an amendment was approved by the Board and will be submitted to a membership vote eliminating this restriction. When passed, journalists working for foreign media not only in Great Britain but all over the world will be able to join the OPC.

In his report, Ron Stieglitz commended the "fine spirit and extremely warm hospitality" shown to the OPC group by the London Press Club.

The initial group was enthusiastic and hopes to attract more members to attend future meetings. OPC members in England are urged to call Chairman Stieglitz in London at 01-370-6171.

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questions on the former President and "heated" editorials appeared as to the caliber of the White House press corps.

President Ford changes the locale of the full fledged news conferences from the first one held at 2:30 p.m. and the next one at 8 p.m. in the White House East Room, the third one in the Rose Garden, the fourth on the Arizona-Mexican borders, the fifth in the White House briefing room, and the sixth in Phoenix on Nov. 14 allowing members of Sigma Delta Chi to alternate questions with the White House "regular" correspondents.

LETTERS

I am sorry to take issue with my friend Ralph Martin, but in the interest of truth and common decency I must contradict his glib remark (Bulletin, November 1) that one of the hangups of the late Duke of Windsor, whom Ralph never knew, was homosexuality. I worked with the Duke and Duchess of Windsor over a period of several years while making a film and I can truthfully say that the Duke was about as homosexual as Henry VIII.

It is unprofessional — and cruel — of Ralph to spread unfounded gossip about a defenceless person and irresponsible for a professional journal to publish it in the guise of a factual statement by an expert.

John D. Le Vien
London

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Jack Le Vien is not only an old friend, but he was also of great help to me during the research for my book, "The Woman He Loved". He is entitled to know, therefore, that I did not say the Duke was a homosexual after he married the Duchess. If he will check my book, he will find a direct quote from a Windsor intimate insisting that he was not a homosexual during that marriage.

However, what I did say, in response to a query after my talk was that I did think that one of the Duke's hangups before he met Wallis might well have been homosexuality. Everything I have learned from informed sources since the book's publication strengthens this belief.

I understand Jack's feelings on the matter since he was close to the Windsors both personally and professionally. But, please Jack, let us not compare the Duke's sex life to Henry VIII.

Ralph G. Martin
East Norwich, N.Y.

Miltich does not foresee limiting the members of the media asking questions, in fact, he stated, "the President is in favor of recognizing the "non-White House regulars," thus giving correspondents covering the U.S. Congress an opportunity to ask questions.

Attendance varied from 250 newsmen at the first news conference to a regular attendance of 150.

There are 1500 newsmen accredited to the White House with a large corps of British, German, Japanese and other foreign writing-radio-TV correspondents.

AMERICAN OPERA . . .

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Others in the cast of this first hearing will be Robert Paul, leading baritone with the NYC Opera, Carol Walters, outstandingly beautiful mezzo soprano with the San Francisco Opera and other leading artists of our operatic scene today.

Kurt Saffir will be the Music Director.

Jack Frummer, OPC Music Committee Chairman will preside, and Herbert Kupferberg, Music Critic of Cue Magazine, will review the performance.

MURROW FELLOWSHIPS

The Council on Foreign Relations has announced that applications for the Edward R. Murrow Fellowship for 1975-76 are now available to men and women from American print and electronic media who are interested in working in international affairs.

Established more than 20 years ago by the Columbia Broadcasting System, the fellowship provides the winner with nine months of study and research at the council's New York headquarters, the possibility of enrolling in any university in the metropolitan area and the payment for nine months salary the winner normally receives.

Information may be obtained from Zygmunt Nagorski at the council, 58 East 68th Street, New York, N.Y. 10021. Applications must be submitted by April 1, 1975.

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The Peninsula Press Club in the San Francisco Bay Area has been formally organized following a recent general membership meeting. It is open to news media and public relations persons working or residing in the counties of San Mateo, San Francisco and Santa Clara, Elected president Dan Cook, business editor of the San Mateo Times. Franklin S. Riley, president of Riley Communications Service, is vice president of the new club.



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WhoWhatWhere

By GRACE NAISMITH

PUBLISHING EVENTS: Six photographs by **Charles E. Rotkin** spotlight the four-page feature fold-out in the special End of the Year issue of New York Magazine. Three of them were shot in 1949 from a small plane and the 1974 three from a helicopter. "Finding a landmark to properly line up the camera positions for the match-up of the locations" was difficult, says the photographer... **Ralph Gardner**, advertising man, WRVR book reviewer and author, has written "Could Horatio Alger's Heroes Make It in today's Business World?", cover story for the January issue of TWA Ambassador Magazine... **Richard Dempewolf's** "Lost Cities and Forgotten Tribes," just published. He and wife, Rita, of The Reader's Digest, are doing a travel series, just back from Morocco, Spain and Portugal... **Curtis Bill Pepper** had the cover story of the December McCall's with an exclusive interview with Grace of Monaco, on raising teen-agers. Bill also has an in-depth profile of Gore Vidal in current Vogue and is finishing a novel based on a Roman tragedy, he writes, adding that he will be in New York in early spring and plans to be seen on the scene in our new Club. (He was best man at **Stan Swinton's** wedding. Tell us more.)... The 1975 edition of "World Topics Year Book" carries articles on the USSR and the Middle East by **Aaron Einfrank**... **Roberta Gratz**, an investigative reporter on the New York Post, contributed to the new Signet Special paperback original, "Henry Kissinger, The Private and Public Story," by Ralph Blumenfeld. The critique came at the end of 400 interviews... **Henry Cassidy** of the New York Daily News has retraced Winston Churchill's path to Marrakech, Morocco, for an article in the travel section of the Sunday News... **Jack Galub** has articles on exercise stress testing coming up in Popular Mechanics, Retirement Living and Parents'. Ask him and he'll tell you what it is.

NEW LOOK: **Peter J. Celliers** senior partner of Ellis Associates, will handle public relations for the Hyatt Corp. for Ellis. Celliers formerly was in charge of North American promotion for the Mexican National Tourist Council. He was a founder of the Society of American Travel Writers. Hyatt has 40 U.S. hotels... **Morton S. Stark**, now associate publisher of In-Service Training and Education, a magazine serving hospital and nursing home continuing education departments... **Kenneth Giniger** back in New York with his own publishing

company, 225 Park Avenue, South (Welcome home, Carol.)

TRAVELERS: **Will Oursler** and Ad back from Europe, researching and vacationing, from Casablanca, Rabat, Gibraltar and Spain through France by car to England... **Howard Kany**, v.p. and executive director of Broadcasting Foundation of America, returning from a three-month global journey on which he set up two significant international radio programming agreements in London and Tokyo, stopped in Hawaii — long enough to speak at one of **John Luter's** classes at the University of Hawaii on news writing... **Josephine Lyons** visited London and Glasgow recently on special radio and tv assignments for Virginia Woolf television show.

RECUPERATING: **Jerry Bissell** from a back injury which will keep her home seven weeks... **Will Yolen** recovered from a recent operation. **Ralph Schulz**, from hepatitis... **Bob Eunson**, vice president of Radio Affairs, AP, from a major operation at University Hospital... **Irene Corbally Kuhn** recovering in Lexington, Mass. (c/o Bryant, 35 Woodland Road, zip 02173) from surgery and pneumonia.

ROBBED: **Grace Naismith** and **John Devlin** in South Norwalk, Conn. House broken into while they were attending an OPC function in N.Y.

WEDDING: **John Scott**, newscaster and moderator for WOR Radio and WOR-TV, was married to Gloria Steinberg at Temple Emanu-El, Dec. 1, 1974. Mrs. Scott is marketing manager, school and college division, Bantam Books.

SEEN ON THE SCENE: Marilyn King (King Family), in New York with Guys and Dolls... **Sol Zatt**... **Steve Korsen**, **George Nathanson**, C.B.S. from Mexico, **Jim Wessel**, **Mary Hemingway**, **George Hecht** and wife, soon

setting off on another round the world tour by plane... **George Salerno**, **Newt Fullbright**, Canon William V. Rauscher and Robert Lewis. **John Scott**, with bride and family — Cindy Sachs and Marcie Lear, (Gloria's daughters), and Lawrence and Amy, (John's two.)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Veteran foreign correspondent and reporter **Joe Peters**, OPC governor, former VP and active member since 1941, is celebrating his 75th birthday on January 21.

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